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- 1. **AUTHORITY.** To approve grants and cooperative agreements for projects related to solid waste management (including municipal solid waste, industrial waste, medical waste, commercial solid waste and any other non-hazardous waste). These funds can be awarded to the following types of non-profits entities: public agencies and institutions; and private agencies, institutions and individuals. These projects can include the following activities, as authorized under Section 800l(a) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act: research, investigations, experiments, training, surveys, demonstrations, public education programs and studies relating to:
 - a. Any adverse health and welfare effects of the release into the environment of material present in solid waste, and methods to eliminate such efforts;
 - b. The operation and financing of solid waste management programs;
 - c. The planning, implementation and operation of resource recovery and resource conversation systems and hazardous waste management systems, including the marketing of recovered resources;
 - d. The production of usable forms of recovered resources, including fuel, from solid waste:
 - e. The reduction of the amount of such waste and unsalvageable waste materials;
 - f. The development and application of new and improved methods of collecting and disposing of solid waste and processing and recovering materials and energy from solid wastes;
 - g. The identification of solid waste components and potential materials and energy recoverable from such waste components;
 - h. Small scale and low technology solid waste management systems; including but not limited to, resource recovery separation systems;
 - i. Methods to improve the performance characteristics of resources recovered from solid waste and the relationship of such performance characteristics to available and potentially available markets for such resources;
 - j. Improvements in land disposal practices for solid waste (including sludge) which may reduce the adverse environmental effects of such disposal and other aspects of solid waste disposal on land, including means for reducing the harmful environmental effects of earlier and existing landfills, means for restoring areas damaged by earlier or existing landfills, means for rendering landfills safe for purposes of construction and other uses, and techniques of recovering materials and energy from landfills;

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- k. Methods for the sound disposal of, or recovery of resources, including energy from sludge (including sludge from pollution control and treatment facilities, coal slurry pipelines, and other sources);
- 1. Methods of hazardous waste management, including methods of rendering such waste environmentally safe; and
- m. Any adverse effects on air quality (particularly in regard to the emission of heavy metals) which result from solid waste which is burned (either alone or in conjunction with other substances) for purposes of treatment, disposal or energy recovery.
- 2. TO WHOM REDELEGATED. Director, Land, Chemical and Redevelopment Division.
- 3. **LIMITATIONS.** None.

4. REDELEGATION AUTHORITY.

- a. These authorities may be redelegated to the branch chief level, or equivalent, and no further.
- b. An official who redelegates an authority retains the right to exercise or withdraw the authority. Redelegated authority may be exercised by any official in the chain of command down to the official to whom it has been specifically redelegated.

5. ADDITIONAL REFERENCES.

- a. Federal Grant and Cooperative Agreement Act of 1977, P.L. No. 95-224, as amended, 31 U.S.C. § 6301 et seq.
- b. Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, Pub. L. No. 106-074, 113 Stat. 1081 (2000).
- c. 40 C.F.R. Chapter 1, Subchapter B, which provides EPA's regulations on Grants and Other Federal Assistance.
- d. 2 C.F.R. Part 200, OMB Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards; and 2 C.F.R. Part 1500, EPA's adoption and supplementation of the OMB uniform award requirements.
- e. EPA Order Series 5700, which provides EPA policies regarding assistance agreements.

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f. Delegation 1-14-A, Assistance Agreements, which delegates to the officials in the Mission Support Division the authority to take all necessary actions to award, obligate and de-obligate funds for, and administer fellowship, grant, cooperative and loan agreements, and to make any final determinations required by law or regulations, with eligible recipients.

Gregory Sopkin

Regional Administrator

Date